

REMARKS

APPARENT INADVERTENT ERROR

Although, in the Office Action Summary, claim 2 is listed as withdrawn, it is respectfully submitted that, in the previous Office Action, claim 2 was allowed and, since claim 1 is allowed and claim 2 depends therefrom, claim 2 is submitted to still be allowed for at least the reasons that claim 1 is allowed. Claims 12 and 19 were cancelled in the response filed July 17, 2003.

OBJECTIONS TO CLAIMS

Claims 7, 10 and 15-17 are objected to for informalities.

A period has been added to the end of claims 7 and 10. Thus, claims 7 and 10 are now submitted to be in allowable form.

Claim 15 has been amended to correct the spelling of "triarylsilphenyl." Thus, claim 15 and the claims depending therefrom (claims 16 and 17) are now submitted to be in allowable form.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 11, 13-14, 18 and 20-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kreuder et al., USPN 5,763,636.

Claims 11, 13, 14, 18, 20 and 21 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Thus, the rejection of claims 11, 13, 14, 18, 20 and 21 is now moot.

CONCLUSION

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 7 and 15 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 11, 13, 14, 18, 20, and 21 have been cancelled. Claims 1-10, 15-17 and 22-24 are pending and under consideration (claims 1-6, 8-9 and 22-24 are allowed).

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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